Satellite parking lots

Pilot Creek access

382 Boyd Nelson Road Pinnacle, NC 27043

- » access to Pilot Creek Trail
- » 15 cars

Pinnacle Hotel Rd / Culler Road

134 Culler Road Pinnacle, NC 27043

- » Mountain and Corridor trails
- » 50 cars

Hauser Road

622 Hauser Road Pinnacle, NC 27043

- » Corridor Trail
- » north river section
- » 40 cars

Ivy Bluff access

4240 Shoals Road East Bend, NC 27018

- » south river section
- » 20 cars

Ivy Bluff canoe

4454 Shoals Road East Bend, NC 27018

- » fishing and canoe access
- » 10 cars

Can't get into Pilot Mountain State Park on a busy weekend? You may also enjoy:

Yadkin River Section at Bean Shoals access

The oldest contiguous canal remnants in NC can be seen after a short hike on the canal trail.

Exit 129 off U.S. 52 South 10 miles south

Blue Ridge Parkway

Enjoy this scenic drive, offering stunning long-range vistas and views of the Appalachian landscape. Be sure to check out Cumberland Knob (first developed recreation area on the parkway), Mabry Mill, and the Blue Ridge Music Center.

21 miles on U.S. 52 North

Downtown Mount Airy

Walk downtown, enjoy shops and restaurants, the historic Earle Theater and the Mount Airy Museum of History

14 miles north on U.S. 52

Fishing

Ararat, Fisher, Mitchell or Yadkin rivers. Visit the NCWRC map of public accesses »

Hanging Rock State Park

One of North Carolina's oldest state parks, offering waterfalls, fishing, swimming, paddling, and rock climbing.

1790 Hanging Rock Park Road Danbury, NC 27016 22 miles east

Horne Creek Farm State Historic Site

Restored 19th century farm features a glimpse into farm life of the 1800s. Open Tuesday to Saturday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

308 Horne Creek Farm Road Pinnacle, NC 27043 9 miles south

Nelson Acres Town Park

Downtown Pilot Mountain park offering trails & disc golf course.

873 W. 52 Bypass Pilot Mountain, NC 5 miles north

More ideas and information

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